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Sam E. Kinney, Jr., et al.)
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Application No.: 09/282,157)
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Filed: March 31, 1999)
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)
CONDUCTING ELECTRONIC)
AUCTIONS WITH MULTI-)
PARAMETER PRICE)
EQUALIZATION BIDDING)
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Examiner: Bashore, Alain L.

Art Unit: 3624

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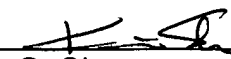
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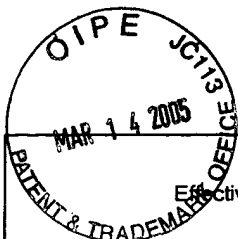
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.**METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check all that apply) Check Credit Card Money Order ☒ None Other (please identify) Deposit AccountDeposit Account Number : 02-2666Deposit Account Name: ☒ The Director is Authorized to do the following with respect to the above-identified Deposit Account:☒ Charge fee(s) indicated below.☒ Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayment of fee(s) during the pendency of this application.☒ Charge fee(s) indicated below except for the filing fee☒ Credit any overpayments.☒ Any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for extension of time should be treated as incorporating an appropriate petition for extension of time and all required fees should be charged.

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1011	300	2011	150	Utility application filing fee	1,000/500	_____
1111	500	2111	250	Utility search fee		_____
1311	200	2311	100	Utility examination fee		_____
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1013	200	2013	100	Plant filing fee	660/330	_____
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1201	200	2201	100	Each independent claim over 3
1203	360	2203	180	Multiple dependent claims, if not paid
1204	200	2204	100	Reissue: each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent
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1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
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1813	8,800	1813	8,800	Request for inter parties reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251	120	2251	60	Extension for reply within first month	
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1253	1,020	2253	510	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,590	2254	795	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,160	2255	1,080	Extension for reply within fifth month	
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1402	500	2402	250	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	1,000	2403	500	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	500	2452	250	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,500	2453	750	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,400	2501	700	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1462	400	1462	400	Petitions to the Commissioner (CFR 1.17(f) Group I)	
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